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COUNTRY

Military Information from Stendal Post

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TOPIC

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PLACE OBTAINED

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EVALUATION

[redacted] 25X1A

DATE OF CONTE

[redacted] DATE PREPARED 24 September 1953

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REFERENC

PAGES

[redacted] ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS

SOURCE

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Between 7 and 10 September 1953, the Tautenzien Kaserne in Stendal was occupied by about 200 troops who wore black-bordered black epaulets.

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[redacted] The Hindenburg Kaserne quartered a rear detail of about 60 soldiers who wore black-bordered crimson epaulets.

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[redacted] At 10:30 a.m. on 13 September, a train of 6 boxcars with troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, 1 boxcar with ammunition, an undetermined number of flatcars with 4 x 85-mm AA guns and 21 flatcars with sideracks with trucks [redacted]

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[redacted] en route toward Tangermuende where it was unloaded. At 12 p.m., a train of 1 boxcar with troops and 48 flatcars with sideracks carrying 10 M-13 rocket launchers and trucks with covered numbers drove toward Wittenberge.²

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1. [redacted] Comment. Compared with a report of early August by the same source, both barracks installations were occupied at the beginning of September as was observed before. [redacted]. The troops in the Tautenzien Kaserne presumably are elements of the 977th Indep Sig Bn of the LXXIX Mtz Rifle Corps.

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2. [redacted] Comment. The AAA shipment, which possibly came from Wustrow, is believed to have been a unit of the 3d Gds AAA Div [redacted]

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[redacted] The unit is assumed to have held a field exercise in the area of Tangermuende prior to their return to Magdeburg. The rocket launchers presumably belong to a rocket launcher unit of the IX Mtz Rifle Corps which returned from firing practice at Altengrabow.

CLASSIFICATION

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